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The Honorable Barry Goldwater  
Chairman  
Senate Select Committee on Intelligence  
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Dear Barry:

It has been several months now since the Committee has formally addressed some of the intelligence questions raised by the difficult situation in El Salvador. Among the questions are the current status of the guerrilla insurgency, the nature of the arms flow from external sources, the adequacy of U.S. intelligence programs to support U.S. policymakers and certification requirements under the International Security and Development Cooperation Act of 1981, and the nature of Salvadoran public opinion just prior to the March elections.

I would like to suggest that the Committee have a hearing on these issues with relevant officials from the intelligence agencies sometime prior to the Lincoln's Birthday recess.

Yours sincerely,



Joseph R. Biden, Jr.